REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 15-29, 55, 56, and 59-68, as amended, appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration. Specifically, claim 2 was amended to delete a recitation of a "group within a group", while claim 62 was amended to depend from claim 59. As none of these changes introduce new matter, they both should be entered at this time. It is respectfully requested that these amendments be entered prior to the calculation of the filing fee.

In addition, an abstract is provided as an attachment to this preliminary amendment. As this is a retyped version of the abstract that appears on the cover of the PCT publication, it does not introduce new matter. Please enter this into the file of the present application.

As noted on the enclosed copy of the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, namely, the US patent office, signed by B. Dell Chism, claims 1-68 were found to meet the criteria of PCT articles 33(2) to 33(4). Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that these claims are now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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